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A method and apparatus are provided for facilitating remote participation in a community. A method may include determining, at a network node accessible via a structured network, a community identifier for an ad hoc community formed at least in part by a plurality of terminals at a first location using a proximity-based wireless communication technology to communicate with each other. The method may further include causing storage at the network node of the determined community identifier and associated membership information for the community. The membership information may include contact information associated with at least one of the plurality of terminals 10. A corresponding apparatus is also provided.

